Coastal Police and Customs and other agencies in order to check the effectiveness of the new systems.

Campaign by DRDO to meet country's defence requirements

2191. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) is launching a campaign aiming to meet 70 per cent of country's requirement of military hardware and software for the Defence Forces;

(b) if so, how the existing 30—70 per cent ratio in favour of foreign armament manufacturers is designed to be reversed by the end of Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-2017);

(c) the details of percentage of budgetary allocations made towards pursuing R&D activities during 2007-08 and 2008-09; and

(d) whether these actually spent or some of the funds lapsed to Government?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Achieving self-reliance for military hardware and software for the Defence Forces is a joint responsibility of Ministry of Defence (MoD), Defence Industries (both public and private), Ordnance Factories (OFs) and Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). As per provisions in Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP) for "MAKE" Category, DRDO is concentrating only on development of strategic, complex and security sensitive systems. Provisions have also been made in DPP for the development. "High Technology Complex System and upgrades under 'MAKE' category" to share the fund between MoD and Indian Defence Industries in the ratio of 80:20.

(c) The percentage of budgetary allocation during the year 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 for Department of Defence Research and Development was about 6% of the total Defence Budget.

(d) The Department of Defence Research and Development achieved 97.57% and 99.44% of expenditure during the year 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, respectively out of total allocated budget.

Interception of North-Korean ship by Indian Navy in Indian water

2192. SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding interception of a North Korean Ship which intruded into Indian waters near the Andaman and Nicobar;

(b) whether it is a fact the intrusion was noticed by local fishermen only after some hours of intruding into Indian waters;

(c) the reasons for tardy response by the Navy and the Coast Guard to such intrusions in the Indian waters;

(d) the details of agencies involved in the investigations of the ship and the details of facts ascertained after the investigations; and

(e) whether Government has conveyed its protest to the Government of North Korea?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (e) North Korean ship MV Mu San entered Indian territorial waters off the Andaman Islands without notification and permission of the Indian maritime authorities. Since it did not respond to radio communications from the Coast Guard, it was brought to Port Blair for Joint investigation by different security agencies.

After thorough investigations, the ship was found to be carrying sugar. The Government had taken up the matter with the North Korean authorities. North Korean Embassy in India reiterated in writing that the Captain sincerely apologized for not complying with the Indian Coast Guard's orders.

Desire of painter to return to India

†2193. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that painter Maqbool Fida Hussain has expressed his desire to return to India;

(b) whether Government will give assurance for his safety; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c) The Government has seen press reports to the effect that Shri M.F. Hussain has expressed desire to come to India. The Government would provide him with adequate security on the basis of local threat perception for him, if and when Shri M.F. Hussain comes to India.

Air Defence Missile System from Israel under CBI Scanner

2194. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has entered into contract for the supply of Air Defence Missile System from Israel Aircraft Industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the industry is already under CBI investigation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has undertaken joint development of missiles

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